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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mark Leslie Smythe and Wim Denis Frans

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For: Auxiliary for Amide Bond Formation

Group Art Unit: 1642

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO SEQUENCE LISTING NOTICE DATED AUGUST 19, 2003

Mail Stop Sequence Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including October 19, 2003 in which to respond to the Sequence Listing Notice dated August 19, 2003. As October 19, 2003 falls on a Sunday, the Response is timely filed on Monday, October 20, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee for a one month extension of time.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4050.001100.

Respectfully submitted,

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